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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
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02/25/2000

James Carlton Bedingfield

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TITLE OF INVENTION: REGION-WIDE MESSAGING SYSTEM AND METHODS INCLUDING VALIDATION OF TRANSACTIONS

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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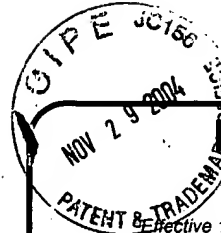
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete If Known

Application Number	09/513,005
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Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	790	2001	395	Utility Filing Fee	
1002	350	2002	175	Design Filing Fee	
1003	550	2003	275	Plant Filing Fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue Filing Fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)				(\$0)	

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

	Extra Claims		Fee From Below		Fee Paid
Total Claims	14	- 20** =	0	X 18.00	= 0
Independent Claims	3	- 5** =	0	X 88.00	= 0
Multiple Dependent				300.00	= 0

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	88	2201	44	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	300	2203	150	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	88	2204	44	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	980	2253	490	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,530	2254	765	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,080	2255	1,040	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	340	2401	170	Notice of Appeal	
1402	340	2402	170	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	340	2403	170	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive-unavoidable	
1453	1,370	2453	685	Petition to revive-unintentional	
1501	1,370	2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	1370
1502	490	2502	245	Design issue fee	
1503	660	2503	330	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee for provisional application	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	790	2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	790	2810	395	For each add. invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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